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FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

BARBADOS.

Report from Bridgetown—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—Sanitary conditions.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Urquhart reports, October 23:

Week ended October 23.

Bills of health issued to 8 vessels, having a total of 318 members of crews and 24 passengers. Two vessels were fumigated. The sanitary condition of vessels, cargoes, crews, and passengers was good. The sanitary condition of the port remains good; no quarantinable disease was reported for the port or island during the week.

BELGIUM.

Cholera at Boom.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Foster cabled from Antwerp, November 8:

There have been 9 cases of cholera at Boom, 10 miles from Antwerp, October 26 to 30, 6 fatal. Last case occurred October 30. Rigorous disinfection and isolation of suspects have been carried out.

BRAZIL.

Report from Rio de Janeiro—Inspection of vessels—Mortality—Plague and smallpox.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Stewart reports, October 16:

Two weeks ended October 10.

Vessels inspected and bills of health issued: September 27, the British steamship *Castilian Prince*, for New York, with coffee, no passengers, and no change in the crew personnel; September 28, the British steamship *African Prince*, for New Orleans, with cargo of coffee, no passengers, and no change in the crew personnel; September 28, the Norwegian bark *Glenlora*, for Ship Island, in stone and sand ballast, with no passengers, and no change in the crew personnel; September 30, the British steamship *Carrigan Head*, for Tampa, in water ballast, with no passengers, and no change in crew personnel; October 2, the British steamship *Byron*, for New York, with cargo of coffee, 10 cabin and 8 steerage passengers, and no change in the crew

personnel; October 8, the British steamship *Hillfern*, in water ballast, for Port Tampa, with no passengers and no change in the crew personnel; on the same date the Brazilian steamship *São Paulo* for New York, the first trip of this vessel, with coffee, 15 cabin and 3 steerage passengers, and whole crew signed on in this the home port; October 9, the British steamship *Llangibby*, for Newport News, in water ballast, with no passengers and no change in the personnel of the crew, and on the same date the British steamship *Norman Prince*, for New York, with coffee, no passengers, and no change in the personnel of the crew.

Mortality reports for the city of Rio de Janeiro.

Week ended October 3, 1909: Total deaths, 227. No deaths nor cases due to yellow fever; 1 new case of smallpox; no cases nor deaths reported due to bubonic plague. At the close of the week there were in the Hospital São Sebastiao 5 cases of smallpox and 1 case of plague under treatment, and 33 cases of suspicious illness held for further observation.

Week ended October 10, 1909: Total deaths, 247. One case of plague and 2 cases of smallpox reported. At the close of the week there were in the Hospital São Sebastiao 6 cases of smallpox and 1 case of plague under treatment, and 30 cases of suspicious illness held for further observation.

BRITISH HONDURAS.

Report from Belize, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Mengis reports:

Week ended October 21.

Present officially estimated population, 10,000. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good. The prevailing disease is malaria.

Bills of health issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.
Oct. 15	Belize.....	Mobile.....	17	4	0
16	Belverson.....	New Orleans.....	24	0	2
19	Heredia.....	do.....	81	0	8

CHINA.

Report from Amoy—Inspection of vessels—Cholera and plague.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Foster reports, September 27:

Week ended September 25: One bill of health issued from this office.

September 19 the British steamship *Taisang*, with 65 in the crew and 16 cabin and 30 steerage passengers for Manila, was granted an original bill of health. Two Chinese were rejected, one for trachoma and one